



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT

**Applicant:** Kumar et al.  
**Serial No.** 09/903,114  
**Filed:** July 11, 2001  
**For:** THERMAL PROCESSING SYSTEM  
AND METHODS FOR FORMING  
LOW-K DIELECTRIC FILMS  
SUITABLE FOR INCORPORATION  
INTO MICROELECTRONIC DEVICES

**Examiner:** B. Talbot  
**Group Art Unit:** 1762  
**Docket No.** FSI0006/US/2

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**SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

**Introductory Comments**

Dear Sir or Madam:

This Submission is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and is fully responsive to the Final Office Action, mailed January 30, 2003, in the above-mentioned application.

**Request for Extension of Time**

The three-month shortened statutory period for response to the Final Office Action in the above-mentioned application expired on April 30, 2003. Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136, Applicants hereby request a two-month extension of time to file this Submission and concurrently filed Request for Continued Examination, extending the date for response to June 30, 2003. The fee of \$ 410.00 for the extension of time is enclosed herewith.

The fee of \$ 750.00 for the Request for Continued Examination is enclosed herewith.

It is believed that no additional fee is required in filing this Submission and concurrently filed Request for Continued Examination. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Kagan Binder Deposit Account No. 50-1775 and notify the undersigned of the same.